

"LOOKING 'EM OVER"

With Mike Collos Jr.

Not a Starter

During the 1959 baseball season, especially after the Dodgers had played some 80 or so games, I went on record as being dissatisfied with the efforts of Walt Alston.

The Los Angeles club was floundering in fourth or fifth place, most of the hitters were not hitting and the pitchers looked like recent recruits from the Dodger farm in Montreal.

Sorriest of the lot were the starters. Podres, Koufax and Drysdale were having their troubles finishing. We felt time after time that Alston had let them in there too long. However, as Walter so capably put it—"I have little in the bullpen."

As the season progressed further I found that I had underestimated ole Smokey. Suddenly the skipper did everything alright. Perhaps it was just luck but nevertheless Walter figured in there somehow.

With six days left before the opening gun is sounded we understand that Alston is slightly under fire for relegating the efforts of Larry Sherry to relief duty. Bavasi and most of the front office feel that Larry should be a starter.

At this point we have to go along with Smokey. The Dodger manager is not worried about Larry's ability. He has that. However, Walter feels that Sherry expends too many pitchers and is prone to tiring midway through a game. It is the skipper's contention that Larry is more effective during a few innings of work and why risk him as a starter. Joe Becker, Dodger pitching coach, is of the same opinion.

Alston fooled me last year but until someone proves different he's not about to do it to me this season. I'm for going along with the skipper and advising Buzzie and his mob to do likewise.

White Sox to Repeat

For some time now the White Sox have been attempting to lure Roy Sievers from the Washington Senators to strengthen a team not noted for its hitting abilities. Two days ago their efforts were rewarded and Roy went to the Sox in a trade that sent Earl Battey, Don Mincher, and \$150,000 in cash.

As soon as the deal was announced Washington fans, the fewest in either league, put up a howl. Ories of disbelief and disgust were heard even in Congressional halls. Being an election year I doubt very much if Calvin Griffith will be on the election ballot. With Sievers gone Killbrew will have to hit twice as many homers to make up for the trade.

Washington really has never gone anywhere. Without Sievers our bet is that they'll finish 25 games out of first place instead of the usual 18 or 20. In last place of course. However, the White Sox have virtually secured their second pennant in a row. Roy will increase his own output now that he is with a pennant contender.

If the Sox and the Dodgers meet in the Series of '60 we doubt seriously that the Dodgers would repeat as World Champions. Sox prexy Bill Veeck saw to that by nabbing the home run slugger.



ANCHORS AWAY as Jerry Cox, El Camino College anchorman on the mile relay team, comes in ahead of John Patty of Long Beach City College in 3:29 flat. Despite their win in the relay, the Warriors dropped 65 2-3 to 56 1-3. They meet the Vikings again on April 22. Tomorrow the track squad tangles with Harbor and San Diego on ECCO oval.

'Visions in Water Color' Theme of Redondo Parade

The second annual In-The-Water Boat Parade will create a breathtaking sight off the Redondo Beach shore on June 26 according to Chamber of Commerce Boat Parade Chairman, Dick Geiger.

"We are inviting boat owners to compete for silver awards by decorating their boats along the theme 'Visions in Water Color,'" Geiger said. Rules and entry blanks have been mailed to hundreds of boaters all over Southern California during the past weeks.

Any size boat can compete as long as it is equipped with mechanical power which will enable it to make 5 knots headway, an anchor and at least 210 feet of anchor rope. The anchor and rope are safety devices to be used in case of mechanical power failure. Boats will compete in four divisions: less than 16 feet, 16 feet but less than 26 feet, 26 feet but less than 40 feet and over 40 feet. A first and second place silver award will be made for each division. In addition five awards will be made for the best boat any size they are: Congressman King's Perpetual Award, "Best Boat in Parade," Mayor's Perpetual Award, "Best Dressed Boat," Best Commercial or Municipal Entry; Best Club Entry; and "The Funniest Boat in The Water."

The parade is being organized and patrolled under the direction of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Division 6. Chairman for their participation is Commander Robert Hansen of Manhattan Beach.

Interested boaters who have not already received their rules and entry blanks can obtain them from Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce, 101 West Diamond St., Redondo Beach, FR 6-0446.

Two Games Open Little League; SPARS Defend Crown

Harbor City Little League Baseball is all set for the opening day ceremonies on April 30 at the Little League park, 101 Highway and Vermont Ave., according to Bob Ferry, president. Statement was made at meeting of the players' parents who discussed the coming 1960 season. Boys 8 to 12 years of age are eligible to enter. Two games will mark the opening of the 6-team league.

One defending champion, the Spars will oppose the Angles in the Minor division and Cubs and Giants will clash in the major class. Champs of the major section are the Dodgers.

Other officers of the league are: S. Jarett, vice president; Mrs. D. Alexander, treasurer; Mrs. J. Rowles, secretary; Mrs. H. Hen-

ron, snack-bar; D. Dudley, players' agent and J. Rowles, equipment.

Feature speaker of the meeting was Walt Butler, district representative who spoke on the aims, ideals, rapid growth and the future of the league. He asked all parents to give their moral support by attending all games.

PFC Fred J. Viles Jr. in Korea War Exercise

Army PFC Fred J. Viles Jr. of 24288 Madison Ave. recently participated with the First Cavalry Division in Exercise Trooper Turnout in Korea.

Viles, a driver in headquarters company of the division's Fifth Cavalry, entered the army in January, 1959, completed basic training at Fort Dix, N.J., and went overseas last December.

16-inch Softball Loop to Attract 24 Adult Teams

Organization of a 16-inch softball league will be discussed next Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., April 13 at the Recreation Room lounge, 3080 Torrance Blvd., according to Elmer Moon, Director of Adult Recreation.

A 24-league consisting of four divisions is expected to see action, Moon further remarked. Champions of last year's section are set to defend their titles. They are Tappa Keggas, Red division; Optimists and Kiwanis, tied for top honors in Service Club group; Fire Department "A," Black division and Torrance Elks Club, Blue section.

Tappas Keggas went on to cop the city championship and the Southern California crown. Coincidentally, Just For Fun which finished second to the Tappas in the local competition, held the same position in the Southern California tourney final results.

Cougars, Canucks Face Off Tonight

A couple of redhot clubs, the Cinderella Victoria Cougars and the revenge-bent Vancouver Canucks, bring professional ice hockey to the Los Angeles Sports Arena tonight in the championship President's cup finals of the fast Western League.

Tonight's game has the teams faceoff at 8 o'clock with junior all-star teams mixing in 6:45 preliminaries both evenings.

The game, sponsored by the Los Angeles Junior Chamber of Commerce to encourage more hockey in Southern California, are the likely forerunners of the exciting and rough pro ice sport here.

Several bids for a Los Angeles franchise in the Western League are to be voted on at the league's annual meeting next month, and one of these is from Canadian sportsman Jim Piggott, owner of the Victoria franchise.

So, fans could be looking at the Los Angeles Cougars of next winter.

The surprising Cougars will be skating for their second straight win over the powerful Canucks, winners of the regular league season, having triumphed 3-2 in overtime Saturday night in Vancouver.

Victoria finished fourth to gain the playoffs, then knocked off second-place Seattle in four straight in the semifinals. The championship finals are the best of nine games. A fourth place team has only won the finals once, so the Cougars are making history with their five straight in a semifinal and final playoffs. The game here will be played to a sudden-death finish.

SQUADS: Vancouver Canucks—1. Hank Bassen, G; 2. Brent Macnab, D; 3. Sandy Hucal, RW; 8. Orland Kurtenbach, G; 9. Bruce Carmichael, LW; 10. Dave Duke, C; 11. Danny Bellisle, RW; 12. Ron Hutchinson, LW; 14. Gordon

Moon Plans Formation of Softball League

Plans for the formation of an industrial 12-inch softball league will be made tomorrow night, 7:30 o'clock, at the Recreation department, 1511 Cravens Ave., according to Elmer Moon, Director of Adult Recreation.

Three teams of last year's circuit already have signified their intentions of joining. They are Harvey Aluminium, Ryan Aeros and Torrance Post Office. Among the new outfits expected to enter are Border Markets, Rome Cable, Bethlehem Steel Co. employees who may play under another sponsor, and Aeronca Manufacturing.

Games will be played Monday and Friday nights starting in May at Torrance Park, Arlington and Santa Fe Aves. First tilts will begin at 7 p.m. with the second franchises set for 8:30 p.m.

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Porpoise Arrives at Marineland

Marineland, Calif.—An Atlantic bottlenosed porpoise from Florida waters played friskily today in a pool at Marineland of the Pacific, where she had arrived healthy and alert via a cross-country speed dash in the back of a station wagon.

It was the first time in history that a large ocean mammal had been transported across the nation in a land vehicle. Both whales and porpoises have been flown between California and Florida, but have not had to stay out of water more than 16 hours. The station wagon journey took 43 exhausting hours.

436 W. First St., Manhattan Beach, who imports animals and rents them to movie and television shows. He was assisted by Alois Federer, 37, of 2706 W. Hillside Dr., Topanga, an animal trainer, and Art Bryant, 32, of 9870 Atlantic Ave., South Gate, photographer and taxidermist.

The dramatic race against time was won by Ray Folsom, 31, of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., March 28 and assisted Win Brady of the Gulfarium, an oceanarium on the Gulf of Mexico, in capturing the porpoise. Folsom, Federer and Bryant left Fort Walton Beach March 31 at 4:30 p.m. CST, drove continuously around the clock at speeds of 80 to 90 miles an hour, and arrived at Marineland at 9:30 a.m. PST Saturday, April 2.